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whereby at least one sialyloligosaccharide is produced in said dairy source.

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11. (Amended) The method of claim 3 wherein the cheese processing waste stream comprises a member selected from the group consisting of: whole whey, demineralized whey permeate, a regeneration stream from demineralized whey permeate, whey permeate, crystallized lactose, spray dried lactose, whey powder, edible lactose and aqueous lactose.

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19. (Amended) A method for producing sialyloligosaccharides in a cheese processing waste stream comprising:

- (i) contacting a catalytic amount of at least one  $\alpha(2-3)$  trans-sialidase with a cheese processing waste stream to form a waste stream/trans-sialidase mixture; and
- (ii) incubating said waste stream/trans-sialidase mixture under conditions suitable for  $\alpha(2-3)$  trans-sialidase activity;

whereby at least one sialyloligosaccharide is produced in said dairy source.

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36. (Amended) A method for producing  $\alpha$ -2,3-sialyllactose in a dairy source comprising:

- (i) contacting a catalytic amount of at least one  $\alpha$ -2,3-trans-sialidase with lactose and an  $\alpha$ -2,3-sialyloligosaccharide, in the absence of CMP-sialyltransferase, to form a mixture; and
- (ii) incubating said mixture under conditions suitable for  $\alpha$ -2,3-trans-sialidase activity;

whereby  $\alpha$ -2,3-sialyllactose is produced in said dairy source.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are pending in the current application. By way of the present Amendment, claims 1, 11, 19 and 36 are amended.